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For:

HYDRODYNAMIC SUTURE PASSER

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter; and
- (2) Reply and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111.

If an Extension of Time under 37 CFR §1.136 is required and has not been separately petitioned, please consider this Transmittal Letter as including a petition for such Extension of Time and as a further authorization to charge any fee for such Extension of Time, as may be required by 37 CFR §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112. Also, please charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in connection with this matter to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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Dear Sir:

This is a full and complete response to the non-final Office Action dated March 13, 2008. A three-month shortened statutory time period expiring June 13, 2008 for reply was set in the Office Action. If this paper is not filed timely, Applicant petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.